(c) and (d) Do not arise.

(e) Government have enacted Minimum Wages Act, 1948, the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970, the Payment of Bonus Act, 1965, the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 etc. for protecting the interests of workers. Under the provisions of these Acts, Inspectors have been appointed to inspect the establishments, attending the complaints about violation and launching the prosecutions, if necessary against the defaulting employers/contractors.

Industrial Growth of Orissa

†1296. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Orissa has set a target of eight per cent Industrial growth to catch up with the National average;

(b) whether the State has laid emphasis on agro-based and small industries that generate more jobs; and

(c) the assistance rendered by the Centre to the State to catch up with the developed States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) The State Government have proposed an increase of ten per cent in the number of industries over the previous year.

(b) The State Government have laid emphasis on agro-based and small industries in the Industrial Policy Resolution - 2001. Agro-based industries have been regarded as priority sector industries and are eligible for interest subsidy. Marketing support in Government procurement and marketing syndication facility have been specially given to small-scale industries.

(c) The State Government have received assistance from the Central Government for establishment of Growth Centres and Integrated Infrastructure Development Centres.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.